

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for remotely creating electronic albums, comprising the steps of:

(a) obtaining digital data of interest at a location with reference to a time;

(b) obtaining position data of the location with reference to a time;

(c) sending the digital data from a mobile terminal to a server through the Internet;

(d) sending the position data from a mobile terminal to the server through the Internet;

(e) receiving the digital data and the position data by the server;

(f) creating and updating an electronic album using software programmed to associate the digital data and the position data based on the recorded times, said software being provided in the server; and

(g) repeating steps (a) through (f) at a different location or at a different time.

2. The method according to Claim 1, wherein the digital data are picture data.

3. The method according to Claim 2, wherein the picture data are animated picture data.

4. The method according to Claim 2, wherein the picture data are taken with a digital camera.

5. The method according to Claim 1, wherein the position data are taken with a GPS device.

6. The method according to Claim 1, wherein the mobile terminal in step (c) is used in step (d).

7. The method according to Claim 1, further comprising sending comment information including text data inputted by a mobile terminal to the server through the Internet with reference to a time; and incorporating the information into the electronic album using the software, said software being further capable of associating the comment information with the digital data and the position data based on the recorded times.

8. The method according to Claim 7, further comprising editing the comment information by a computer connected to the Internet.

9. The method according to Claim 1, further comprising inputting a user's name and a password when sending the digital data and the position data, wherein the server receives the user's name and the password and creates and edits the electronic album in accordance with the name and the password.

10. The method according to Claim 9, wherein the server receives the user's name and password from multiple users, and the electronic album is created and edited as an album common to the multiple users.

11. A system for remotely creating electronic albums, comprising:

a first device for obtaining digital data of interest at a location with reference to a time;

a second device for obtaining position data of the location with reference to a time;

a server connected to the Internet, said server comprising software programmed to associate the digital data and the position data based on the recorded times, thereby creating and editing an electronic album;

a first mobile terminal for sending the digital data to the server through the Internet; and

a second mobile terminal for sending the position data to the server through the Internet.

12. The system according to Claim 11, wherein the first device is a digital camera.

13. The system according to Claim 12, wherein the digital data are picture data.

14. The system according to Claim 12, wherein the picture data are animated picture data.

15. The system according to Claim 11, wherein the second device is a GPS device.

16. The system according to Claim 11, wherein the first mobile terminal and the second mobile terminal are the same.

17. The system according to Claim 11, further comprising a third mobile terminal for sending comment information including text data to the server through the Internet with reference to a time, wherein the server is capable of incorporating the information into the electronic album using the software which is further capable of associating the comment information with the digital data and the position data based on the recorded times.

18. The system according to Claim 17, further comprising a computer connected to the Internet for editing the comment information.

19. The system according to Claim 11, wherein the first and second mobile terminals are capable of inputting a user's name and a password when sending the digital data and the position data, wherein the server receives the user's name and the password and creates and edits the electronic album in accordance with the name and the password.

20. The system according to Claim 1, which includes more than one first device, more than one second device, more than one first terminal, and more than one second terminals.

21. A method for creating electronic albums of trips using program software provided in a server connected to the Internet for editing digital graphic data to create electronic albums, said server being made capable of receiving: data of pictures taken with digital cameras, data of the times when the pictures are taken, position data acquired at a mobile terminal, and data of the times when the position data are acquired; said albums being made with the program software by associating the received pieces of information with each other.

22. A method for creating electronic albums according to Claim 20, characterized in that said server is made capable of receiving comment information inputted through the mobile terminal to create electronic albums using the program software and associating the comment information with the picture data.

23. A method for creating electronic albums according to Claim 21, characterized in that a user's computer connected to the Internet is made capable of editing the comment information.

24. A method for creating electronic albums according to Claim 20, characterized in that the server is made capable of receiving a user's name and a password that can be accessed from plural digital cameras to create a common electronic album using the data coming from the plural digital cameras after recognizing the user by the user's name and password.

25. A device for creating electronic albums characterized in that there are provided in a server connected to the Internet: a program storage means having stored program software for creating electronic albums by editing digital picture data, a data storage means for receiving and storing data of pictures taken with a digital camera, data of the times when the pictures are taken, position data acquired at a mobile terminal, and data of the times when the position data are acquired, a data processing means for associating the received pieces of information with each other, and an electronic album editing means for editing electronic albums according to the program software stored in the program storage means on the basis of the pieces of data associated with each other using the data processing means.

26. A mobile tool for creating electronic albums, characterized in that the mobile tool associates with each other; data of pictures taken with digital cameras, data of the times when the pictures are taken, position data acquired at a mobile terminal, and data of the times at which the position data are acquired; and transmits them to a server that is connected to the Internet and provided with an electronic album creating means.